

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
displaying a first television program on substantially all of a video screen to a user, said first television program comprising a ~~segment~~ commercial of a predetermined time length;
in response to a user selection, changing the first television program segment to a second television program segment, whereupon the second television program segment is displayed on substantially all of the video screen along with a window region on the video screen that simultaneously displays an indication of the commercial ~~first television program segment~~ segment; and
modifying the indication displayed to the user in the window region when the predetermined time length of the ~~first television program segment~~ commercial is complete, to alert the user that the commercial has ended.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the indication displayed in said window region is a banner of a message related to the ~~first television program segment~~ commercial.
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said window region displays a thumbnail commercial related to the commercial ~~first video program signal.~~
5. (Canceled)
6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5 1 wherein said window region displays a banner indicative of a product being advertised during said commercial.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein said second television program segment comprises access to the internet.

8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein said second television program segment comprises viewing another regularly received television channel on said video screen.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein a link is associated with said window region, said method further comprising invoking said link.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9 wherein said link is to a web page.

11. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

broadcasting a first video program signal, said first video program comprising a commercial segment;

receiving a user input to change the first video program signal to a second video program signal;

providing additional signal information representative of the commercial first-video program signal to be displayed in a window on a video screen while simultaneously displaying the second video program signal on substantially all of the video screen, in response to the input, wherein display of the additional signal information changes at an end of the commercial to indicate that the commercial has ended; and

broadcasting information corresponding to a link, said link being associated with a banner displayed in the window along with the additional signal information, wherein so that a viewer can click on said banner.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said additional signal information to be displayed is included in a portion of a video signal that does not normally contain visual information.

13. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 12 wherein said portion of said video signal comprises a retrace interval or a blanking interval.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said link is to a web page.

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